

WEST-JACKSON HOUSE
111 North Washington Street
Clarksville
Habersham County
Georgia

HABS NO.GA-1206

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STATE GEORGIA	COUNTY HABERSHAM	TOWN OR VICINITY CLARKESVILLE
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) WEST-JACKSON HOUSE		HABS NO. GA-1206
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 111 North Washington Street, Clarkesville, GA (County Tax Assessor's Records) 717 North Washington Street, Clarkesville, GA (City of Clarkesville Records)		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) Exact date unknown - approximately 1890	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) Architect and original owner are unknown	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) The West-Jackson House, constructed as a residence, is architecturally and historically significant as a late 19th Century example of the Plantation Plain style house, with 2-story Classical Revival portico, trimmed with Victorian motifs. Additions were made in the 1920's (specified below)		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) Plantation Plain with two-story Classical Revival portico		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Wood frame structure; clapboard facade with four square wooden columns. Balloon framing, diagonal sheathing and brick foundation.		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) Original portion of residence consists of two rooms over two divided by central hallway. 1920's additions created present L-shaped structure (SEE ACCOMPANYING FLOOR PLAN PHOTOS)		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Clapboard facade reveals an outer monumental Classical Revival portico with four square columns and narrow triangular bracketed pediment; inner two-story porch decorated with Victorian era braces, and cutwork balustrades; central gable on principal facade.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Floors are wooden, wall surfaces are plastered (severely vandalized and flaking). Interior contains four fireplaces, formerly with modest wooden mantels (removed by vandals). The most detail appears to have been the central stairway cutwork balustrade all of which has been removed or destroyed.		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES In the 1920's, the south rear porch was enclosed and a room was added to the first and second floors of the north rear side of the structure. The central hallway on first floor was lost with the removal of a wall to create a large room. The present structure is L-shaped.		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE The structure has been vacant since 1975. At present, while a few portions are structurally sound, most of the building has been severely vandalized or damaged by neglect and numerous leaks. Plaster damage and wood rot are extensive.		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE All architectural features of note have been destroyed or removed. Signs of deterioration are most evident on front portico and inside the rear of the house. The property contains two outbuildings, a barn and a garage, both in deteriorated condition.		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDE LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) Property has been nominated for listing on the National Register of Historic Places, and determined eligible. Habersham County (Clarkesville) Historical Society and present owners: G.C. Jackson and Ernest Jackson. State Historic Preservation Section and APDC.		
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